The Honorable Bobby J. Hopewell Mayor of Kalamazoo 241 West South Street Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007-4796

Dear Mayor Hopewell:

Thank you for your February 11, 2014 letter requesting that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency hold a public meeting in addition to the planned availability sessions to discuss the Allied Landfill Feasibility Study.

EPA believes that this opportunity for one-on-one dialogue with technical staff is an important part of meaningful community engagement. On February 19th EPA held one public availability session on the Feasibility Study. The session closed with a group "question and answer" session that allowed for questions on the issues regarding Allied Landfill to be heard by everyone who attended the session. A second session is being planned for March. EPA will work with you and your staff on the format to ensure that the EPA's next outreach session meets the needs of the Kalamazoo community.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact Richard Karl, Superfund Division Director, at (312) 353-9773.

Sincerely,

Susan Hedman Regional Administrator